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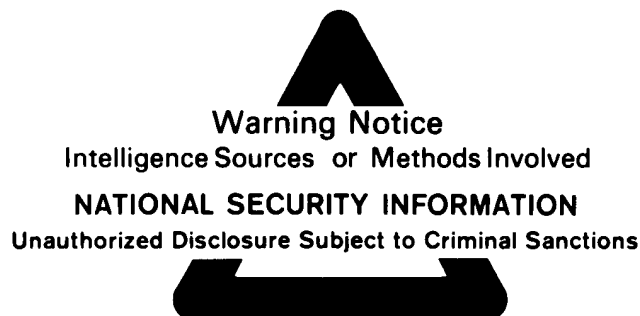
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COMBAT OPERATIONS
PANJ SHER VALLEY, AFGHANISTAN

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** SOVIET MILITARY OPERATIONS CONTINUE IN THE PANJ SHER VALLEY. MANEUVER ELEMENTS OF ONE OF THE REGIMENTAL-SIZED COMBAT FORCES OPERATING IN THE VALLEY HAVE PROBABLY ADVANCED BEYOND BAZARAK [REDACTED] (SWN) 25X1
2. **REMARKS:** A NEW FIRE SUPPORT BASE AND REAR ECHELON SUPPORT BASE (NOT ON GRAPHIC) HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED JUST SOUTH OF BAZARAK [REDACTED] THIS ACTIVITY PLUS THE DEPARTURE OF THE REGIMENTAL-SIZED COMBAT FORCE FROM THE ROHKA AREA [REDACTED] SUGGESTS THAT SOVIET GROUND FORCES HAVE CONTINUED THEIR ADVANCE FURTHER UP THE VALLEY. THE FIRE SUPPORT BASE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ASSETS: ONE MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER BATTERY (ENTRY), TWO 152MM SELF-PROPELLED HOWITZER ENTRY, AND ONE TOWED HOWITZER ENTRY (NOT ON GRAPHIC). DUST AND SMOKE NEAR THE ARTILLERY INDICATE THAT THE UNITS ARE FIRING. THESE ASSETS ARE PROBABLY FROM THE FIRE SUPPORT BASE AT ANAWA. MANEUVER ELEMENTS OF THE REGIMENTAL-SIZED COMBAT FORCE NEAR ROHKA [REDACTED] HAVE PROBABLY ADVANCED BEYOND BAZARAK; HOWEVER CLOUD COVER PRECLUDES A DETERMINATION OF WHERE THESE ELEMENTS ARE LOCATED. OTHER EQUIPMENT IN THE VICINITY OF THE FIRE SUPPORT BASE INCLUDES ONE HIP ATTACK HELICOPTER IN THE RIVER, AND ONE OTHER HIP (NOT ON GRAPHIC) FLYING OVER THE AREA. (SWN) 25X1
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3. BE N/A, COORDINATES N/A [REDACTED] 25X1

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